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No need to wait for vision until 2103

Most of the concepts outlined in "A vision for 2103: No urban sprawl" (by Roger Showley and Sandra Dibble, A-1, May 27) could be put into practice today. The only thing holding us back is our lack of vision.

We do not need to wait a hundred years to start thinking about San Diego and Tijuana as a single region facing identical issues. And we do not need to wait a hundred years to start addressing these issues.

- We can build and furnish multi-story dwellings with recycled materials today — and create new and affordable homes for our expanding population.

- We can create resource management centers today — and start using household wastes to generate energy.

- We can build an integrated and efficient mass-transit system today — and give commuters a viable option to the morning traffic jam.

- And we can create a more united border government today — and work together through international boards and commissions.

Too often, visionary plans end up lost and forgotten in some anonymous government filing cabinet. But with leadership that is both determined and creative, the San Diego-Tijuana region will have a bright future.

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